## **IN THE DRAWINGS**

Please replace the entire originally-filed set of 16 sheets of drawings with the accompanying 16 Replacement Sheets of drawings.

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**REMARKS** 

**Amendments to the Specification** 

References to "claim 1" in the specification are deleted, as requested by the Examiner.

**Amendments to the Claims** 

In the claims, the phrases "all possible contours", "arbitrary contour" and "in particular",

which the Examiner contends are indefinite, have been omitted.

The objections over lack of antecedent basis of certain claim terms are overcome in different

ways in different claims: by omitting the respective claim term (as in claims 108-109), or by

omitting the word "the" preceding the claim term (as in claims 117 and 119-121), or by amending

the claim's dependency (as in claim 106).

**Amendments to the Drawings** 

The entire originally-filed set of 16 sheets of drawings is replaced with accompanying 16

Replacement Sheets of drawings. Figures in the Replacement Sheets differ from the originally-filed

figures in that their lines, numbers and letters are rendered more uniformly thick and better defined

as required by the Examiner. Additionally, Figs. 2-3 have been corrected in accordance with

comments in the Remarks section of the Amendment filed January 22, 2010.

Applicants respectfully submit that since all deficiencies noted by the Examiner have now

been corrected, the application is now in condition for allowance.

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